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**DATE:** March 7, 2013

**Subject:** The Division of Chemical, Bioengineering, Environmental, and Transport Systems (CBET)  
**Single Annual Proposal Submission Window per program – Dear Colleague Letter**

Dear Colleagues:

For the upcoming annual proposal cycle (see dates below), each NSF CBET program will have a single window, rather than two, per fiscal year for receiving unsolicited proposals. CBET will stagger its windows schedule for the four program clusters in order to balance the workload. The schedule for submitting unsolicited proposals to CBET is the following:

**FALL 2013 WINDOW: August 15, 2013 - September 17, 2013**

**Chemical, Biochemical, and Biotechnology Systems – Cluster #1**

- Biotechnology, Biochemical, and Biomass Engineering
- Catalysis and Biocatalysis
- Chemical and Biological Separations
- Interfacial Processes & Thermodynamics (Member of Cluster #4)
- Process and Reaction Engineering

**Biomedical Engineering and Engineering Healthcare – Cluster #2**

- Biomedical Engineering
- Biophotonics
- Biosensing
- General and Age Related Disabilities Engineering

**WINTER 2014 WINDOW: January 15, 2014 - February 20, 2014**

**Environmental Engineering and Sustainability – Cluster #3**

- Energy for Sustainability
- Environmental Engineering
- Environmental Health and Safety of Nanotechnology
- Environmental Sustainability

**Transport and Thermal Fluids – Cluster #4**

- Combustion, Fire, and Plasma Systems
- Fluid Dynamics
- Particulate and Multiphase Processes
- Thermal Transport Processes

CAREER proposals are still to be submitted separately by the deadline specified in the CAREER solicitation.

Note that proposals must be received via NSF's FastLane system by 5:00 p.m. proposer's local time for the date that a window closes. Late proposals are subject to return without review.

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